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SUSPENSION CALENDAR


1) ***Drug-Free Communities Support Program Reauthorization Act*** (H.R. 2291). 
This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

2) ***Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the establishment of a Summer Emergency Blood Donor Season to encourage eligible donors in the United States to donate blood*** (H.Res. 202). 
This resolution has no budget implications.


3) ***Defense Production Act Amendments of 2001*** (H.R. 2510). 
This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

4) ***To amend title 35, United States Code, to clarify the basis for granting requests for reexamination of patents*** (H.R. 1866). 
This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

5) ***To amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for appeals by third parties in certain patent reexamination proceedings*** (H.R. 1886). 
This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

6) ***To require a report on the operations of the State Justice Institute*** (H.R. 2048). 
This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

LEGISLATION CONSIDERED UNDER A RULE


Bill: ***Vietnam Human Rights Act*** (H.R. 2368). 
Committee: International Relations
Summary: This bill establishes a commission to assess Vietnam's compliance with specified human rights. The measure prohibits the United States from providing nonhumanitarian assistance to Vietnam, and directs the United States to vote against financial aid from international organizations, unless the President certifies to Congress that Vietnam has complied with human rights requirements.
Budget Act: This bill does not increase direct spending or decrease revenues. It does not breach the

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allocation provided to the International Relations Committee by the budget resolution and hence is not subject to points of order under the Congressional Budget Act.

Bill: *Approving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment to the products of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam* (H.J.Res. 51). 

Committees: Judiciary and Ways and Means

Summary: This joint resolution would approve the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. This would have the effect of reducing the amount in tariffs collected on goods imported from Vietnam, hence decreased receipts into the U.S. Treasury.

Budget Act: Enacting this legislation would reduce revenues by \$33 million in 2002, \$181 million over the 2002-2006 period, and by \$416 million over the 2002-2011 period. Because this legislation would not cause the appropriate level of revenue to be less than the amount permitted by the budget resolution, it does not violate the Budget Act.